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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Masato HUMA

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For: RECORDING MEDIUM, RECORDER, AND PLAYER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Amended) A recording medium having a plurality of signal recording layers, wherein first data are recorded on one of the signal recording layers, and data relevant to the first data are recorded on the other signal recording layer at a recording density higher than that at which the first data are recorded on the other signal recording layer at a recording density higher than that at which the first data are recorded.

2. (Amended) The recording medium as defined in claim 1, wherein the [relevant data complement the first data] recording density corresponds to a recording density with respect to the